UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK DISTRICT COURT E.D.N.Y

HAROLD LEWIN, an incapacitated person by his legal guardian MARIS GORDON,

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- against -

MARK A. RILEY,

Defendant.

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GERSHON. J

Plaintiff, Harold Lewin ("Lewin"), an incapacitated person by his legal guardian MARIS GORDON, by his attorney Gordon & Gordon, PC, hereby brings this Complaint against Mark A. Riley ("Riley"), and in support thereof, states as follows: POHORELSKY, M.J.

# **Nature of the Action**

1. The plaintiff brings this action against Defendant, Mark A. Riley, for fraud in the amount of \$75,000.00 Plaintiff is also seeking indemnification and damages against Riley for said fraud.

## **The Parties**

- 2. Plaintiff, Lewin, was and still is a resident of the County of Queens, State of New York.
- 3. That in all times hereinafter mentioned, Lewin is recognized by the State as an incapacitated person.
- 4. That in all times hereinafter mentioned, Maris R. Gordon, Esq. is the guardian of Lewin being appointed by the Supreme Court for the State of New York.
- 5. That in all times hereinafter mentioned, Lewin had and still has banking accounts at Chase Bank USA National Association.
- 6. That in all times hereinafter mentioned, Chase Bank USA National Association ("Chase") is a subsidiary of JPMorgan Chase & Co.
- 7. That in all times herein mentioned Mark A. Riley was and still is a resident of the city of Fort Lee, State of New Jersey.

8. That in all times hereinafter mentioned, Riley had and still has banking accounts at Bank of America Corporation.

## **Iurisdiction and Venue**

- 9. This Court has personal jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1332(a) since the amount in controversy exceeds \$75,000, exclusive of interests and costs and there is a diversity of citizenship as Riley is a citizen of New Jersey and Lewin a citizen of New York.
- 10. Venue is proper in this Court because the fraud occurred at the local Chase Bank Branch in the County of Queens.

#### **As and For a First Cause of Action**

- 11. Plaintiff, Lewin, repeats, reiterates and realleges each and every allegation as set forth in Paragraph 1 thru 11 as if fully set forth herein.
- 12. That on February 2, 2009, a cashier's check was tendered to Riley in the amount of \$75,000. This check listed Harold Lewin as the remitter.
- 13. This check was prepared at Chase. Cashier's check is annexed herewith.
- 14. That on February 5, 2009, Riley deposited the cashier check into his Bank of America checking account. Deposit slip is annexed herewith.
- 15. This office has made numerous attempts both written and verbal to communicate with Riley to account for the purpose of the cashier's check.
- 16. That on July 23, 2010, a written letter was sent to Riley's residence. Letter to Riley is annexed herewith.
- 17. That on August 16, 2010, this office left a voice message on Riley's home phone number.
- 18. That to date, to date this office has not received a response of any kind from Riley.
- 19. For reasons forementioned, we believe Riley perpetrated fraud against incapacitated person, Lewin.
- 20. As a result of the Riley's fraud, Lewin has suffered damages in the sum of \$75,000.

## As and For a Second Cause of Action

- 21. Plaintiff, Lewin, repeats, reiterates and realleges each and every allegation as set forth in the First Cause of Action with the same force and effect as if fully set forth herein.
- 22. That as a result of the fraud perpetrated by Riley, Plaintiff has suffered damages in the form of legal fees, having been compelled to retain counsel himself in this action, all to plaintiff's damages in the sum of ten thousand dollars.

WHEREFORE, plaintiffs prays for a judgment against defendant, Mark Riley, ordering said defendant to indemnify Plaintiff's financial loss in the amount of \$75,000 plus interest for the First Cause of Action, and judgment in favor of plaintiff against defendant in the sum of ten thousand dollars plus the costs and disbursements of this action, and any such further relief as the Court deems just and appropriate.

Dated:

September 1, 2010

Forest Hills, NY

Sincerel yours, Gordon & Gordon, PC

Perey Gordon, Esq. Gordon & Gordon, PC Attorney for Plaintiff

108-18 Queens Blvd. 6th Floor

Forest Hills, NY 11375 Phone: (718) 544-7070

To: Mark A. Riley

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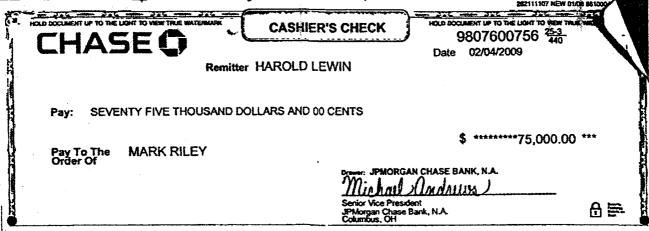
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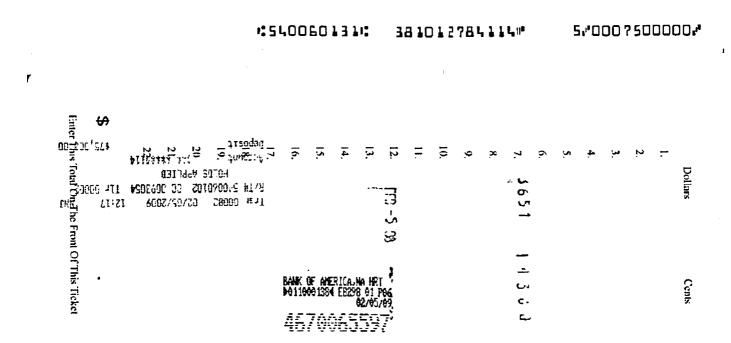
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July 23, 2010

Mark A. Riley 2160 Center Ave. Apt 5J Fort Lee, NJ 07024-5828

Dear Mr. Riley,

Please be advised that this office represents the guardian appointed for Harold Lewin, an incapacitated person.

On February 4, 2009, a check in the amount of \$75,000 was tendered to you. We are required to account for the purpose of this payment and seek your cooperation.

Please correct this office upon receipt in order to account for this payment.

Enclosed herewith is a copy of the check tendered to you.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely yours, Gordon & Gordon, PC

Peter S. Gordon, Esq.

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# ATTORNEY'S VERIFICATION

PETER S. GORDON, an attorney duly admitted to practice before the Courts of the State of New York, affirms the following to be true under the penalties of perjury:

I am attorney at the law firm of GORDON & GORDON, P.C., attorneys of record for Plaintiff, HAROLD LEWIN. I have read the annexed

#### **SUMMONS & COMPLAINT**

and know the contents thereof, and the same are true to my knowledge, except those matters therein which are stated to be alleged upon information and belief, and as to those matters I believe them to be true. My belief, as to those matters therein not stated upon knowledge, is based upon facts, records, and other pertinent information contained in my files.

This verification is made by me because plaintiff is not presently in the county wherein I maintain my offices.

Dated: NEW YORK, NEW YORK August 17, 2010

PETER'S. GORDON

